

COUNTRY <u>USSR</u>		REPORT <u>[Redacted]</u>
TOPIC <u>Soviet Naval Vessels in the Baltic Sea</u>		
EVALUATION <u>[Redacted]</u>	PLACE OBTAINED <u>[Redacted]</u>	25X1
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DATE OBTAINED <u>[Redacted]</u>	DATE PREPARED <u>6 June 1955</u>	
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Between 8 April and 6 May 1955, Soviet naval vessels were seen in the Baltic Sea. The following details were obtained:

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Date	Time	Position	Class	Type	Course and Speed	Remarks
1. 8 Apr	1045	54°42'N/ 18°51'E	cruiser	KIROV (?)	270°, 25 knots	Straight stem, very high bridge superstructure, two widely separated raked stacks; one mast in front of the forward stack and one, a tripod mast, aft of the second stack. The cruiser appeared to have two gun turrets on the foredeck, the second turret apparently higher than the first. She seemed to have only one gun turret on the quarter deck. The barrels could not be recognized. Possibly the cruiser sighted at 1045. No details could be obtained, since the vessel was filled with strong blinding lights.
9 Apr	2030	54°36'N/ 18°47'E	cruiser	u/1	at anchor	The periscope of a submarine jutted out of the water. The submarine was at very low speed and had a low wave at the periscope so that the course could not be determined.
2. 24 Apr	0600	58°50'N/ 21°28'E	submarine (?)	u/1		
3. 1370	0910-1017 23°10'E		battle- ship	Oktjabrskaya Revolutsia	stopped	The bow of the battleship faced south-southwest, between Odensholm Light and Langgrund Light. She was approx 200 meters long, had a ram bow and a smooth fore'sle with a triple turret. Aft of the turret she had a high stepped bridge with a military mast. The trailing edge of the highest step of the bridge was flush with a stack which was raked to aft. A gun turret was between the raked stack and a second straight stack amidships. Another gun turret was between the second stack and a topmast aft. High gun superstructures between amidships and after sections. On the quarterdeck, bordering on the deck superstructures, a gun turret. Flush quarterdeck and gun positions bulging from the entire length of the gunwale.

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Date	Time	Position	Class	Type	Course and Speed	Remarks
24 Apr	1330	59°25'N/ 23°18'E	destroyers (?) Tallin (?)	East, slow	Approx 2.5 to 3 miles behind the battleship were four vessels which appeared to be destroyers. They held an eastern course and ran at slow speed. They ran line ahead and had a distance of approx 200 to 300 meters between each other. They altered course to east-southeast when passed Redgrund lighthouse. The destroyers were approx 130-140 meters long, had a strongly angled bow and a gun stack on the foredeck; deck flush as far as aft section; square bridge; high tower at trailing edge of bridge; first mast between bridge and first funnel; first deck superstructure between first and second stacks; second mast jutting from quarter deck superstructure and at second stack. Gun turret on quarterdeck, close to midship. No maneuvers in connection with the battleship were observed. Approx 15 to 20 smaller unidentified vessels were inshore behind the destroyer unit.	
3 May	1615	approx 4 sea miles north-west of Vindau (Ventspils)	submarine chaser	CRUISER	entering Vindau	

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